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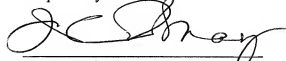
**APPLICANT'S INTERVIEW STATEMENT**

This Interview Statement is being filed after a telephone interview between Examiner Isabella and the undersigned attorney on April 15, 2008. Examiner Isabella called the undersigned to arrange a time to discuss the outstanding issues in this case. After checking with Applicant, the undersigned attorney left two voicemail messages with Examiner Isabella with proposed times for the interview. Examiner Isabella did not return either call. Applicant remains willing to discuss the patentability of the pending claims in this case with the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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